



City of Newport Beach, CA
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Gardner & Council Members
FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager
DATE: April 6, 2012

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director 

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: April 6, 2012

Planning Division

Development Review Committee

At the March 29th Development Review Committee meeting, staff reviewed a potential mixed-use project proposed for Mariner's Mile. The property is located at 2430 W. Coast Highway and consists of a 1,800 square-foot retail building (formerly Bike Religion) and a 2,000 plus square-foot building occupied by two tenants on a 22,500 square-foot lot. The zoning was recently changed to MU-MM (Mixed-Use Mariner's Mile) Zoning District. The proposed project would add commercial to the existing retail building that fronts Coast Highway and incorporate live/work and/or stand alone residential towards the rear of the property. At the meeting, Planning discussed that a minimum of 5,625 square feet of commercial use needs to be provided, the maximum residential density is nine units with a maximum square footage of 15,000 square feet, and units must be set back at least 100 feet from Coast Highway. Building issues included openings onto side property lines, accessibility, liquefaction, and requiring a soils report and a water quality management report. The Fire Department's issue was that the minimum turn around area for a fire truck needs to be provided. Utilities informed of the requirements for a new manhole sewer line which requires an Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) and Caltrans permit and a new City manhole. Finally, Public Works discussed circulation including minimum entrance and turnaround areas as well as the 12-foot wide easement along Coast Highway frontage for the future widening of Coast Highway. The proponent will be in contact with staff in order to address the minimum requirements in the design.

Counter Activity Report

PLANNING COUNTER ACTIVITY FOR MARCH 26 TH TO 30 TH	
122	CUSTOMERS SERVED (AVERAGE OF 24 PER DAY)
20	PLANS REVIEWED AT THE COUNTER
14	PLAN CHECKS APPROVED OVER THE COUNTER (20 PLANS SUBMITTED FOR A TOTAL OF 70%)

Fair Housing

On April 10, 2012, the City Council will proclaim April 2012, "Fair Housing Month" as part of a nationally-coordinated effort to combat housing discrimination. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, negotiation, advertising, and financing of housing based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, familial status, marital status, age, disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, source of income or any other arbitrary reason, as well as acts of hatred, violence, and harassment.

FREE PUBLIC SEMINARS SPONSORED BY THE CITY		
LANDLORD WORKSHOP	FIRE CONFERENCE ROOM CITY HALL 3300 NEWPORT BOULEVARD, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663	APRIL 11, 2012 3:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT TRAINING	CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL 3300 NEWPORT BOULEVARD NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663	MAY 16, 2012 1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.
TENANT WORKSHOP	CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL 3300 NEWPORT BOULEVARD NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663	JUNE 4, 2012 3:00 P.M. TO 4:30 P.M.
MANAGEMENT TRAINING	FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ROOM CENTRAL LIBRARY 1000 AVOCADO AVENUE NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	JUNE 28, 2012 1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

If you have questions or feel that you have been the victim of housing discrimination, please contact the Fair Housing Foundation (800) 446-3247 or www.fairhousingfoundation.com.

Planning Commission Acts on Newport Banning Ranch EIR

Following a three-hour public hearing, the Planning Commission voted to recommend that the City Council certify the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Newport Banning Ranch project. Chair Michael Toerge began the hearing with an introductory statement on the purposes of an EIR and the Commission's role and responsibility in making a recommendation to the City Council on its certification. The Commission questioned staff on the key environmental issues addressed in the EIR and then heard comments from 26 members of the public.

It is expected that the Newport Banning Ranch project will return to the Commission on April 19, 2012, for the hearing on the project itself.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTING • FINANCE & TREASURY • OMB • REVENUE

April 6, 2012

TO: DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

FROM: Tracy McCraner, Finance Director/Treasurer

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

FINANCE EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER (EOQ)

The Finance management team has created a new EOQ award to recognize our fabulous team members in the areas of outstanding customer service, cost savings innovations, business process improvements and excellence in financial reporting/accounting. The first nominees for the EOQ were: Bryan Bello (outstanding customer service-excellent leadership); Richard Flores (outstanding customer service); Monique Navarette (excellence in financial accounting-business process improvements); Anthony Nguyen (outstanding customer service-cost savings through contracting); and Trevor Power (excellence in financial reporting/accounting.) Although all nominees are examples of "excellence in government," the award winner went to..... "**Bryan Bello**" for his outstanding customer service skills and his effective and collaborative style of leadership in the Revenue Division of the Finance Department. Congratulations to all of our nominees!!



PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS - FINANCE

The mission of the Finance Department is to "provide prudent financial management of publicly entrusted resources and to provide our organization with the highest quality financial, administrative, investment and analytical reports and services. We will establish and maintain a high level of trust within our community, our City Council and our customer departments, and will always be sensitive to our customers' needs."

In the FY 2012-13 Performance Plan we are striving to improve our reporting of performance measures, and their desired outcomes, to the readers of our budget document. Performance measures focus our attention on priorities and results, and also enhance our accountability for these results to the community we serve. A sample of the performance measures reported for the Finance Department is shown in the following table (not an all-inclusive list):

Key Performance Measures:

	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Actual	2011-12 Estimated	2012-13 Projected
<u>Outcome: Finance provides high-quality, accurate, timely and reliable financial reports and analysis in a professional manner.</u>				
Credit Rating ¹	N/A	AAA	AAA	AAA
GFOA Award for Excellence Received for CAFR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
External Audit of CAFR results in a "Clean" Opinion	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Finance Team Continuing Education ²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
# of Quarterly Financial Report w/in 45 days ³	N/A	2	4	4
Single Audit Findings = lost grant funding	0	0	0	0
<u>Outcome: Finance is prudent in managing and allocating resources with the long-term goal of fiscal sustainability.</u>				
General Fund Contingency Reserve Policy Met	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
General Reserve Balance @ fiscal year end ⁴	\$82,157,866	\$88,394,489	\$90,000,000	N/A
General Reserve Balance as % GF Revenues	56%	59%	59%	N/A
Credit Rating ¹	N/A	AAA	AAA	AAA
Finance Budget as % of GF operating Budget	5.55%	5.73%	3.97%	3.73%
CAFR available w/in 180 days after fiscal year end	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
¹ Moody's Investor Service, Standard & Poor's and Fitch Ratings have all assigned the City of Newport Beach an AAA credit rating, the highest possible underlying rating, one of only five agencies in California to receive an AAA rating from all three rating ² Professional Finance Manager's will attend a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education per fiscal year to maintain high quality skill set. ³ The Quarterly Financial report will be available by 45 days after the quarter end date (new in FY 2011). ⁴ General Reserves include General Fund & Facilities Financing Fund				

CLOSING DEADLINES

We are once again asking for the assistance and cooperation of all departments to observe the special cut-off dates and procedures relative to purchasing, payment processing, and credit card transactions for the remainder of FY 2011-12. The adherence to these special procedures facilitates year-end closing of financial records. Attached please find a list of the cut-off dates. If you have any questions regarding the closing deadlines, please contact OMB Manager Susan Giangrande at ext. 3128.

DONATIONS & GRANTS

The City Manager accepted the following donations or grants on behalf of the City during the quarter ending March 31, 2012. Council Policy F-3, Section C.2, states the Council is to be formally notified each quarter of the acceptance of such funds. A total of \$23,184.99 was accepted.

SOURCE	DATE	AMOUNT	USE
ProLiteracy	3-2-12	\$5,000	Literacy Program.
Newport Beach Public Library Foundation and ProLiteracy	3-2-12	\$8,000	Literacy Program.
Library Donations	3-2-12	\$75	Library Materials.
Library Donations	3-6-12	\$110	Library Materials.
California Highway Patrol	3-23-12	\$9,999.99	Every 15 Minutes Grant.

ONE MORE ONE STOP

Over the last few weeks Sr. Fiscal Clerk Donna Petroski has trained CDD staff on business license processing procedures for customers at the CDD counter. Why you may ask? Our goal was simple....provide better customer service. All of us need a way to make the most out of every minute for everyone, especially our customers. Offering faster and more efficient service will lead to a satisfied customer. Now a customer who has business with CDD can complete his transactions in one place. No more hopping from counter to counter or building to building.

SECOND WEDNESDAY TRAINING REMINDER

April 11, 2012
8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Council Chambers
Fiscal Year End Processes,
Deposit Accounts & Cash Handling



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

FROM: TRACY MCCRANER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

DATE: APRIL 6, 2012

RE: **FY 2011-12 CLOSING DEADLINES**

We are again asking the assistance and cooperation of all departments to observe special cut-off dates and procedures relative to purchasing, payment processing, and credit card transactions for the remainder of FY 2011-12. The adherence to these special procedures facilitates year-end closing of financial records.

Friday, June 8, 2012, is the deadline for purchasing goods and services out of the FY 2011-12 budget. Purchasing will make its best good faith effort to convert purchase requisitions into purchase orders (and therefore encumbering FY 2011-12 funds) by June 30, 2012. Departments are asked to anticipate procurement needs and submit their final FY 2011-12 requisitions prior to the deadline. The earlier the better! Unless specifically authorized by the Finance Director, no additional FY 2011-12 purchase requisitions will be accepted after June 8, 2012.

Friday, June 22, 2012, is the deadline for purchases charged to FY 2011-12 using a City Credit Card. All purchases made on June 23, 2012, or thereafter will be invoiced on the July 2012 Statement and charged to the FY 2012-13 budget. Please remember that some vendors do not post credit card transactions on the date of purchase. Therefore, a purchase could be made on June 22, 2012, that is posted to the next month's statement and therefore will be a FY 2012-13 expense.

Friday, June 29, 2012, is the deadline to submit signed legal contracts as an FY 2011-12 contract encumbrance. It is also the cutoff to receive goods or services that can be subsequently charged as an FY 2011-12 expenditure. Goods and services received after June 30, 2012, will be recorded as expenditures in FY 2012-13. If a good or service received after June 30, 2012, was encumbered through a purchase order or valid contract prior to June 30, 2012, the related FY 2011-12 budget (if available) will be rolled forward to FY 2012-13 for expenditure in FY 2012-13.

All Invoices and Payment Authorizations processed after June 30, 2012 should be clearly labeled "FY 2011-12" or "FY 2012-13." It is important to note that *the DATE THE SERVICE IS RECEIVED -or- the DATE THE GOOD IS DELIVERED* is the determining factor which mandates whether an invoice should be marked FY 2011-12 or FY 2012-13. For example, an invoice dated in July for goods DELIVERED prior to June 30, 2012, should be highlighted as "FY 2011-12" and conversely, an invoice for an item ordered in June, but RECEIVED after June 30, 2012, should be marked "FY 2012-13." Do not combine FY

2011-12 & FY 2012-13 requests on one Payment Authorization or Petty Cash – keep each fiscal year separate.

Thursday, August 2, 2012, will be the last day invoices can be turned in for FY 2011-12 payment. Encumbrances will be rolled over on August 9, 2012, so it is important to present all FY 2011-12 invoices to Accounts Payable for payment by August 2nd. Please contact vendors if necessary.

Your assistance and cooperation in observing these deadlines and procedures is most appreciated. If you or your staff has any questions regarding the fiscal deadlines, please contact Senior Budget Analyst Shannon Espinoza at ext. 3021.



**Newport Beach Fire Department
Office of the Fire Chief**

DATE: April 6, 2012
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

CERT Drill



On Saturday, March 24, the Newport Beach Fire Department held its Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) "Drill the Skills" for over 120 CERT volunteers. "Drill the Skills" is a chance for new CERT graduates from both Spring 2012 CERT programs, as well as active CERT graduates, to refresh their skills and renew their certifications.

For the drill, CERT volunteers were divided into neighborhood teams and participated in simulated stations. The stations were outdoor search and rescue, indoor search and rescue, fire suppression, disaster medical operations (triage), and disaster medical operations review.

At the conclusion of the drill, CERT volunteers from both Spring CERT classes participated in a graduation ceremony. Newport Beach CERT volunteers are certified as disaster service workers, ready to help the Newport Beach community following unexpected disasters.

The Newport Beach CERT program is a Department of Homeland Security Citizen Corps training program to train and certify residents to help themselves, their family and their neighborhood following unexpected disasters. Newport Beach holds four CERT classes each year, two in the Spring and two in the Fall, and has certified over 950 residents and had over

1,250 participate in the program. For further information on the CERT program or the “Drills the Skills” please contact Community Preparedness Coordinator Matt Brisbois at nbcert@nbfd.net or call (949) 644-3112 for additional program information.

Every 15 Minutes

On Tuesday, April 3, members of our Department participated in the Police Department’s “Every 15 Minutes” Program at Corona del Mar High School. The title of the program comes from the fact that every 15 minutes someone dies or is seriously injured due to a driving under the influence accident. It is a two-day event to promote awareness and good decision making when it comes to driving and drugs and alcohol to high school students.

The first day of the program simulated a two-car accident, involving a student drunk driver, which seriously injured student passengers and immediately “killed” one passenger. The juniors and seniors were assembled outside in bleachers to witness the simulated accident scene. Units from police and fire, as well as a coroner unit replicate their roles in response to the accident. Firefighters extricated and treated the victims from the cars and prepared them for transport to the hospital.

Eight firefighters participated in this event, along with two of our Fire Explorers, who were able to practice their newly acquired skills. This is an excellent program that the Police Department puts on for the students and we are honored to participate and hopefully prevent such an incident from actually occurring.



Car in Home on Iris in Corona Del Mar

At 10:34 a.m. on Thursday, April 5, firefighters were called to a car into a building at Iris Avenue in Corona del Mar. The vehicle was involved in a traffic incident before going



into the house. Once on scene, firefighters found a vehicle in a back bedroom of a vacant house. Firefighters determined there were no injured patients and then assisted the tow truck in shoring up the vehicle, to allow it to be pulled from the house. The Police are investigating the cause of the traffic collision.

Fire Department Promotes Informative Series on State Fire Maps

Wildfires are one of the unexpected disasters that can result in catastrophic loss of both lives and property. In Southern California, these types of disasters are increasing with the development of urban communities within or adjacent to the wildland areas. Although we cannot predict when these fires will occur, we can prepare our homes and our properties for the best chance of survival.

Recently, the State put together Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps for all Local Responsibility Areas in Southern California to identify communities that were in wildland hazard zones, including Newport Beach. Once adopted by the Newport Beach City Council, these maps will affect homes in Newport Beach and require homeowners to create defensible space, build reconstructed and new homes to fire resistive standards, and disclose that the property is in the designated zone. In an effort to thoroughly educate our community about these maps, potential requirements, and wildfire dangers, the Newport Beach Fire Department will be conducting an informative series to educate residents and answer questions.

As part of the Fire Department's community outreach efforts, we are encouraging all residents and community associations to log on to our website, www.nbfd.net, to find out more about these maps and how they may affect your home and your neighborhood. Additionally, we would like to schedule community meetings with any interested associations or group regarding the adoption of these maps. To set up one of these meetings, please contact Fire Inspector Steve Michael at smichael@nbfd.net or Fire Marshal Ron Gamble at RGamble@nbfd.net or call 949-644-3106 to speak with either of them.

The Fire Department hosted two of these meetings to date; one at the Oasis Senior Center on April 28, and one at Newport Coast Community Center on April 2. The presentations were very informative about wildland fire potential and the proposed maps. The residents asked numerous questions and seemed very appreciative to have the maps thoroughly explained to them.



Spring Break Crowds

Spring Break started in mid-March and is still occurring with nice weather enticing numerous people to the beach.

Lifeguards have been patrolling the beach with several units on Tuesday and Wednesday in response to the warm weather and larger crowds. Not even colder water temperatures have kept surfers and bathers out of the water. Since mid-March most days have averaged over 10,000 visitors at the beach, with last week being the most crowded with an average of over



15,000 people each day. Last weekend, a large swell brought 6-8 foot surf throughout the weekend. We expect good crowds and plan to staff several towers and have additional units patrolling throughout the weekend.

CPR in the Schools

Lifeguards and firefighters recently completed a program of CPR in the Schools at Newport Harbor High School.

The program lasted four days and approximately 150 students learned Adult, Child, and Infant CPR, and AED.



Earthquake and Tsunami Awareness Workshop

Mark your calendars!

Thursday, April 26

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Oasis Senior Center, 801 Narcissus, Evelyn Hart Center

An hour-long workshop will teach Newport Beach residents about earthquake and tsunami threats. The workshop will also cover how the City will respond to unexpected earthquake and tsunami threats, as well as what residents can do to prepare themselves for these potentially catastrophic events. The workshop will be taught by Newport Beach Fire Department Emergency Management personnel. The workshop is free of charge and no registration is necessary.

For more information, please call 949-644-3112 or email nbcert@nbfd.net.



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT CITY MANAGER' S NEWSLETTER

DATE: April 6, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Lauren Farley, Acting Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News from HR and Risk Management

Drug & Alcohol Training – Community Development Department

On Wednesday, March 28 Sheri Anderson, Human Resources Supervisor, and Maggie Williams-Dalgart, Human Resources Analyst, conducted training on the City's Drug & Alcohol policy to management staff in the Community Development Department. Managers and employees have an obligation to understand and be familiar with the City's policy. This training touched on elements such as; obligations to report suspected drug or alcohol use, identifying behaviors that may be indicators of substance abuse, and parameters or reasonable suspicion of abuse. Human Resources staff are available to answer questions about the City's policy and for additional support employees and managers can contact Value Options, the City's Employee Assistance Program (EAP) at 800-662-7241.

NEW Healthcare Service Launches for CalPERS Blue Shield HMO Subscribers

Blue Shield has partnered with Teladoc Inc. to provide subscribers with 24/7/365 access to doctors by phone or secure video. Members of the CalPERS Blue Shield and Blue Shield Net Value HMO plans are now able to participate in this free healthcare service which began April 1.

Teladoc doctors are U.S. board certified and can be used for non-emergency issues such as allergies, cold and flu-like symptoms and respiratory infections. Teladoc physicians also write prescriptions which can be called into a local pharmacy. This service should not replace your personal physician but rather be used as a way to obtain immediate care for non-urgent medical issues.

Members will receive a welcome kit from Teladoc, which includes information about the service, what types of conditions it can be used for, contact resources and instructions for setting up an account. For more information, please contact Human Resources at 949-644-3256.

Firefighter Recruitment

Human Resources opened a recruitment for the position of Firefighter for the Newport Beach Fire Department on April 4. Candidates were required to submit a copy of their current California EMT-1 or EMT-P license, a valid driver's license, high school diploma or GED, California Firefighter I or California Basic Fire Academy certificate and American Heart Association or American Red Cross CPR certification along with the online application. Over the course of this recruitment, candidates will compete in several competitive examinations including; a written examination, physical agility, swim test and oral board interview. Applications will be screened for the minimum qualifications and the first 500 deemed complete will be invited to the written examination scheduled for Saturday, April 28.

Improve Communication Skills

This month's ValueOptions Newsletter has a great article on improving communication. Communicating effectively can greatly reduce the amount of conflict, tension and frustration in the work place. Below are some suggestions on how we can improve communication both at work and in our personal lives.

Expressing Yourself:

- Think before you speak about how your message may come across
- Be specific & avoid "You" statements
- Do not bring up irrelevant issues or occurrences from the past
- Adjust your communication style to your audience

Listening:

- Put yourself in the speaker's shoes
- Show respect by paying attention and validate what they are saying

Communication Complications:

- Avoid bad timing; If upset, cool off first!
- Understand that everyone communicates differently

Detailed information can be found in the article posted to the Intranet, or by visiting the ValueOptions website at www.myachieve.com.

Human Resources wishes you and your family a very Happy Easter Holiday!



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

City Manager's Newsletter



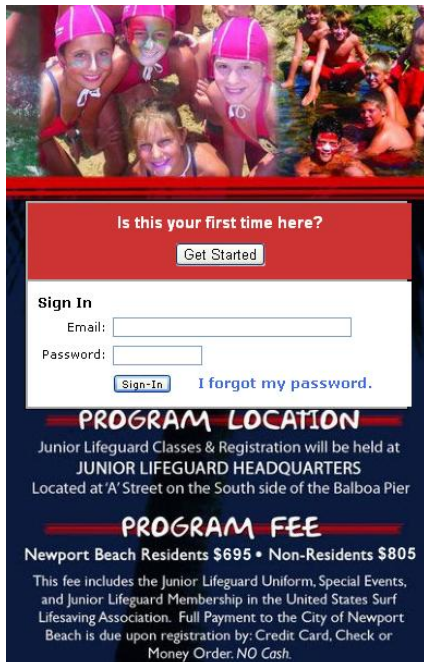
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Rob Houston, Interim IT Manager

Date: April 6, 2012

The IT department continues to work on a variety of interesting projects to continue improving efficient operations for the City. Two recent projects that work to use technology to save time and resources are outlined below.

Jr. Lifeguard Registration gets an Upgrade



This Wednesday marked a successful close to the 2012 Jr. Lifeguard Program registration process in their recently upgraded online registration system. In years past, parents would stand in long lines for hours to obtain a key code on a first come first served basis that would give them access to the registration application. This year Avery Maglinti in the IT Applications Division gave the system a complete overhaul that eliminates the need for key codes and allows parents to complete the full registration process online. The system held up perfectly against the 625+ eager parents all trying to register their child at the same time for the coveted morning session. This year's morning session sold out in a whopping 34 minutes! In addition to saving resident's time and providing better customer service, IT saw the upgrade as an opportunity to reduce paper & printing costs, reduce staff time and improve efficiency. Special thanks to the Junior Lifeguard team for their great ideas and service!

Write up of the new registration process in the OC Register:
<http://epaper.ocregister.com/Olive/ODE/OCWTheCurrentWest>

Fire Emergency Medical Service Electronic Reporting Project

The current PCR (Pre-Hospital Care Report) system utilized by the Newport Beach Fire Department EMS (Emergency Medical Services) that is used to gather "vitals" and medical history prior to transport to a hospital is a hybrid of cumbersome paper and electronic systems. The current process is labor intensive, costly, prone to errors, and slow to reimbursement the City because the PCR system utilizes handwritten multi-part paper forms that must be scanned, converted to text, validated, and finally sent to a billing agency for reimbursement.

In order to improve this process the Orange County Health Care Agency (HCA), in conjunction with EMS providers Countywide, has developed OC-MEDS (Orange County Medical Emergency Data System) which centralizes and standardizes the collection process while eliminating the need for paper forms.

How does this all work? The ePCR client software is loaded onto tablets which are optimized for rapid entry by using either a soft keyboard or handwriting recognition. The new system also has advanced monitors that record key medical information such as EKG and oxygen saturation which wirelessly transfer this data securely via Bluetooth to the tablets. The tablets can connect wirelessly to OCMEDS, transport agencies and Hospitals. A web portal is available from desktop computers so EMS personnel can complete and review reports. NBFD received four of the ruggedized Tablet Computers through a grant from the California OTS (Office of Traffic Safety).



NBFD has begun training and testing with the new tablets and if successful, full deployment is expected to be completed in FY 2012-13. In addition, Fire IT and Fire EMS personnel are creating solutions to incorporate "Fire Medics" program subscribers' medical information into the tablets while still maintaining strict HIPAA security standards.



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts



April 6, 2012

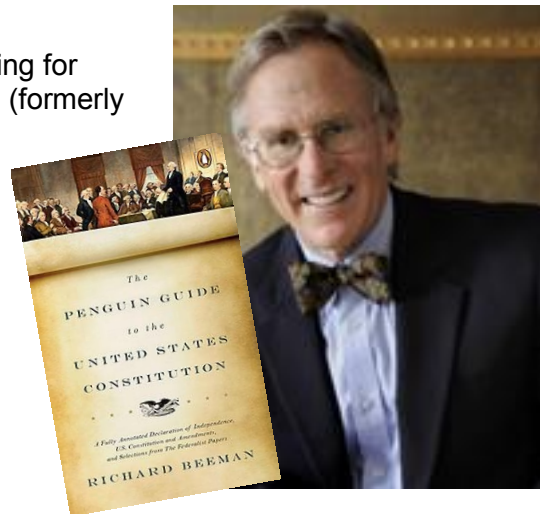
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Cynthia Cowell, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Searching for Democracy

This month, Newport Beach Public Library is launching “Searching for Democracy,” a statewide initiative, developed by Cal Humanities (formerly the California Council for the Humanities) and designed to animate public conversation on the nature and needs of democracy. Our library was one of 51 public library recipients of a grant from Cal Humanities funding the “Searching for Democracy” program. We hope that many in the community will pick up a copy of our community read selection ***The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution: A Fully Annotated Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution and Amendments, and Selections from The Federalist Papers***, by Richard Beeman. Copies of the book are currently available at all NBPL locations.



On April 24, the author Professor Richard Beeman will be here at the Central Library for a special program moderated by Mary Menzel, Director, California Center for the Book. Beeman is an American historian specializing in the American Revolution and is currently the John Walsh Centennial Professor of History at the University of Pennsylvania. He is one of the most respected constitutional scholars in the nation and is the author of seven books and several dozen articles on the history of Revolutionary America. His interview will be followed by an open discussion on “democracy.” Additional programs and exhibits with the theme “Searching for Democracy” will be held throughout the year.

National Library Week

Next week, we will be celebrating National Library Week with lots of special programs for all ages. National Library Week is held each year to promote library use and support, and encourage reading. This year's theme is “Plug In, Turn On, Tune In: You Belong at Your Library.” We are very pleased that Mayor Nancy Gardner, along with City Manager Dave Kiff and Council Member Ed Selich, will be hosting storytimes during the week to share their love of reading with local children. The week's activities will also include eBook training classes, a financial planning workshop, book discussion and four special family shows, one at each NBPL library location.

National Library Week | April 8-14, 2012

PLUG IN, TURN ON, TUNE IN
YOU BELONG @ YOUR LIBRARY

Cultural Arts Services

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale Next Weekend

Call for Entries: Due April 6

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale

Saturday, April 14 • 1-6 pm

Oasis Senior Center • 801 Narcissus

Presented by the City Arts Commission

New Location!



Nearly 70 artists (with 2 artworks apiece) have registered for the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale next Saturday, the 14th at Oasis Senior Center and we are at capacity.

Two banners have been exhibited (Mariners F.S. and Oasis Corner), and invitations are available for community members to attend the Reception and Sale from 1-6pm. Awards will be announced at 4:30pm by Mayor Nancy Gardner and members of the City Arts Commission. Carole Boller and Arlene Greer are the Arts Commissioners chairing this long-standing event. Award winners' work will be displayed at Oasis Senior Center for a couple of months.

Ceora Winds Performing Sunday, April 15

Flutist Michelle Matsumune, Clarinetist Heather Millette, and bassoonist Christin Webb will take center stage on Sunday April 15 at Central Library (Friends Meeting Room) for a Sunday Musicale from 3 until 4:00pm.

Free Concert

Sunday Musicale

Ceora Winds

Sunday, April 15, 3 pm

Central Library Friends Room

[Learn more>](#)



The ensemble will be playing all wind instruments for this show including selections from Antonio Vivaldi, Jacques Ibert, J.S. Bach and more. These Sunday Musicales are enjoyed immensely by the community in an intimate, library (free) setting.

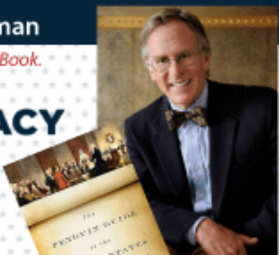
A Conversation with Author Richard Beeman

Moderated by Mary Menzel, Director, California Center for the Book.

SEARCHING for DEMOCRACY

Tuesday, April 24, 7-9pm

Central Library Friends Room



★★★★★

Author of
The Penguin Guide to
the United States
Constitution

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Newport Beach Public Library
FOUNDATION

Searching for Democracy Launch

Beginning on Monday, April 9 staff will be assembling a display on the origins of democracy at Central Library. A

postcard listing the events associated with the "Searching for Democracy" community read is now available at Central and branch libraries. Most exciting is the opportunity to hear Dr. Richard Beeman (of John Stewart fame) discuss democracy and his book "The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution" with Mary Menzel (Director of the California Center for the Book) on Tuesday, April 24 from 7-9pm at Central Library. This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to hear about the origins and people who defined democracy from one of the nation's leading authorities.



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

April 6, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: Newsletter

Department Welcomes New Employees



Pictured left to right – Deputy Chief McGill, Senior Dispatcher Laurie Syvock, Lieutenant Jay Short, Sergeant Rachel Johnson, Sergeant Michael Schiavi, Lieutenant Evan Sailor, Community Services Officer Cynthia Ray, and Chief Jay Johnson

Please join me in welcoming the Department's first Deputy Chief, David McGill, and Community Services Officer, Cynthia Ray, who were sworn in as the newest members of the Police Department at a City Hall ceremony on April 2. I also had the privilege of promoting five members of the Organization to leadership positions.

Deputy Chief David McGill was raised in Newport Beach and graduated from Corona del Mar High School. He received a Navy ROTC Scholarship and attended USC before earning his Bachelor of Science Degree at U.C. Irvine. Chief McGill earned his Masters Degree in Public Administration at California State University, Long Beach, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. In 1987, he began his law enforcement career with the Los Angeles Police Department, serving for 25 years in a variety of assignments, including Patrol, Special Problems Unit, Detectives, Internal Affairs, the Anti-Terrorist Division, Patrol Watch Commander, and Commanding Officer of the Harbor Area Detective Division. Deputy Chief McGill has received many awards, commendations

and citations, including the LAPD Police Medal, the second highest LAPD award given for valor.

New employee, **Cynthia Ray**, is a California State University Long Beach graduate, earning her Bachelor Degree in History. For the past five years, Cindy has been employed as a part-time Parking Lot Attendant for the City of Newport Beach. Cindy was sworn-in as a Community Services Officer and will be assigned to the Records Section.

Sergeants Evan Sailor and **Joseph Short** were promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and will be assigned as Patrol Watch Commanders.

Officers Rachel Johnson and **Michael Schiavi** were promoted to the rank of Sergeant and will be assigned as Patrol Field Supervisors.

Police Dispatcher Laurie Syvock was promoted to the rank of Senior Police Dispatcher and will be assigned as Supervisor of the Day Watch Dispatch Team.

“Every 15 Minutes” Program

On Tuesday and Wednesday, April 2 and 3, the Police and Fire Departments, along with the staff of Corona del Mar High School, hosted the “Every 15 Minutes” Program. This Program is a dramatic and interactive exercise that involves a simulated DUI-related fatal traffic collision. The Police and Fire Departments responded to the simulated collision and extricated the victims from the vehicles to render aid. At the same time, officers conducted a DUI investigation. Four selected students from the high school's junior and senior classes acted as drivers and passengers of the vehicles involved in the simulated traffic collision. Several of the students in the simulated crash “died” as a result of their simulated injuries. Twenty-four student volunteers were removed from classes throughout the morning to demonstrate that lives are lost on a daily basis in DUI traffic collisions. Pictured above is the Grim Reaper (Parking Control Officer Nick Ott) as he stands above a simulated deceased student. Parents of the participating students received simulated death notifications in person from Police Department personnel. The 28 student volunteers spent the night at the Ayers Hotel and prepared letters to their parents, families, and friends on the personal aftermath of the simulated fatal DUI traffic collision.



The following day, the second half of the Program began with a student assembly in the high school's gym. Attending the assembly were the high school's junior and senior classes, parents of the 28 student volunteers, and City dignitaries. Gloria Morales, the guest speaker, is the mother of Crystal Morales, who was seriously injured in December 2011 after being struck by a suspected impaired driver while crossing the street in front of Newport Harbor High School. All of the presentations resulted in a very emotional experience for the students, their parents, and the high school staff. Sponsors for the event included the California Highway Patrol, Hoag Hospital, G&W Towing, the California Office of Traffic Safety, Knott's Berry Farm, and the Newport Beach Police Association. The "Every 15 Minutes" Program is funded through a grant obtained from the California Office of Traffic Safety.

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City Manager's Newsletter

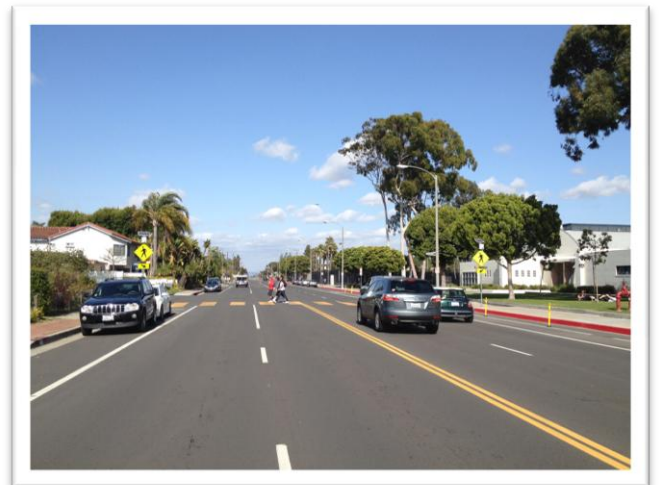


To: David A. Kiff, City Manager
From: Stephen G. Badum, Public Works Director
Date: April 6, 2012

New Flashing Beacon and Striping Modification to Irvine Avenue

As most know, drop off and pick up times at schools create much activity and congestion. In an effort to reduce impacts at these critical times, Traffic Engineering Staff worked with the school and Municipal Operations Department to change the loading and bus stop zones at Newport Harbor High School. Looking for a simple solution, staff modified the painted curb markings and extended the loading zone stop and relocated bus stop away from the crossing area. These improvements have helped by creating more room drop off/pick up and improving visibility at the Irvine Avenue/Margaret Drive intersection.

In addition to changes at the front of the school, staff chose the crosswalk at Irvine Avenue/Margaret Drive as a pilot location to install a solar flashing beacon that is integrated under the high-visibility pedestrian warning signs. These beacons are push-button activated and enhance motorist awareness of pedestrians within the crosswalk.



Peninsula Point Street and Alley Concrete Replacement

The Peninsula Point Street and Alley Replacement project started work on March 19th as part of the final efforts for Assessment District 103. The street and alley replacement, as shown on the attached exhibit, consisted of removing existing alley and street surfaces and constructing new concrete alleys and streets. The work is expected to be mostly completed before the summer season however some alleys will still be under construction thru the first week in August.

Impacted residents will be notified their alleys will not be accessible for 14 days during the time the work takes place. Temporary parking permits will be issued to all impacted residents during the construction periods that will allow them to park in designated "Permit Parking Only" areas on adjacent streets. This has proved essential during the early phases of this assessment district due to the limited parking in the area. Staff is excited to see the final completion to this 3-year construction effort. The photo below is what the alley between "I" and "G" Streets looked like last year. We can't wait to show you the final product!



Bristol Street North Landscaping

The Bristol Street North Landscaping project was recently awarded to Green Giant Landscape and has started construction. This TE Grant-funded landscape enhancement project introduces new colors with a terraced feel to the existing dirt shoulder between Jamboree Road to Campus Drive. Careful consideration to water conservation was given when selecting the proper landscaping and designing the irrigation system. This project is expected to be completed by July 2012.

Special thanks to the General Services and Senior Public Works Inspector, Frank Martin for their collaborative efforts in making this happen.



My Money's on Newport Beach

On Friday, March 30th Mayor Gardner and Laguna Beach Mayor Jane Egly challenged each other at the Orange County kickoff for the Wyland Foundation - National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation. The challenge is an online competition between cities across the United States to see whose residents can conserve the most water and reduce pollution into local waterways. A victory means a share of a \$50,000 prize package, including a Toyota Prius C Hybrid, and the title of most "Water Wise" City in the nation.



Make your pledge to save water and improve water quality by logging onto www.mywaterpledge.com and make sure to include your Newport Beach zip code!

Special thanks to Dave Webb and Shane Burckle from the Public Works Department, Mary Locey from the Public Information Office, and Michelle Clemente and Janet Cates from Recreation and Senior Services, for staging the successful media event.



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: April 6, 2012

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COOLEST PLAYGROUND IN THE WORLD!

The combination of the Space Net and the location adjacent to the Balboa Pier arguably makes this the coolest playground in the world! The new net was installed on March 28. The old net was wearing through and was becoming unsafe and although the net was outside of the warranty period the playground supplier, Coast Recreation, stepped up and donated the new net valued at over \$20,000. Our thanks go to Coast Recreation for their amazing donation and to the MOD Concrete Crew who assisted with the demo of the old net footings.

OASIS SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS!

- **New Employee** - Please welcome the newest member of the OASIS team, Jennifer Sisoev. As the Assistant Recreation Coordinator, Jennifer will be responsible for managing the OASIS facility rentals, planning monthly special events, overseeing recreation leaders, and other duties. Jennifer comes to us with experience as a service coordinator for Project Access, a nonprofit organization; a program aide for the City of Norwalk's Senior Center; and as an administrative intern for the City of La Mirada's Community Services Department. Jennifer graduated with a Masters degree in Public Administration from California State University at Fullerton, and a BS degree in Political Science from Northeastern University. She shares her home with her husband and their English Bulldog, Emmy.
- **Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon** - OASIS will host its annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on April 18. The luncheon is an opportunity to recognize and thank those individuals who donate their time throughout the year to the various programs and events held at OASIS. Attendees will be treated to a special performance by Tupua Productions including a Polynesian dance show and serenade and a Hawaiian style lunch provided by Jay's Catering.
- **Spring Fling** – On April 16 the Orange County High School of the Arts will perform courtesy of the Musco family who had won this in a silent auction gala. The event will begin with a wine and cheese reception before the performance begins.





- **Marathon Joe Crosses The Finish Line** - Joe Taricani successfully completed his treadmill marathon distance on April 3 at OASIS Fitness Center. Joe started the run and his live broadcast of "The Marathon Show" shortly after 7am and completed the 26.2 miles in 5 hours and 25 minutes. Joe's endeavor drew a lot of attention from fitness center members, inspiring and motivating many to sign up for the April Marathon Challenge. Non members who saw Joe's story on the front page of The Daily Pilot also dropped in to encourage Joe throughout the day. The web broadcast was also well received by "The Marathon Show" internet followers viewing the event all over the United States and Europe.

Highlights of the day included:

- ✚ **Mile 8:** Joe gives away a free registration to the OC Marathon
- ✚ **Mile 13:** Via Joe's webcam and twitter feed, two distinguished members of the marathon community, one watching from Oregon and one running on an adjacent treadmill, recall marathons and endurance runs competed during the 80's
- ✚ **Mile 20:** Joe completes his "Happy Dance," a rendition of Lady Gaga's, to celebrate completing 20 miles.
- ✚ **Mile 22:** Webcam viewers from Chicago have Gina's Pizza delivered so Joe can "carbo load" when he finishes his run
- ✚ **Mile 26.2:** Joe finishes a full marathon at 5 hours and 25 minutes





LOOK OUT FOR A SUMMER OF FUN IN NEWPORT BEACH!

The Newport Beach *2012 Guide to Summer Camps* was mailed the week of March 26. Summer Camp registration is now open! With a 10% discount on all summer camps through May 3, staff anticipates another busy season! New camps to look for this summer include,

- Paddle Camp by UCI
- Challenger Tetra Brazil Soccer Camps
- Green Screen Filming
- Jedi Master Engineering
- Photography Camp
- Princess Dance Camp
- Junior Hip Hop Dance Camp
- Digital Media Camp
- Video Game Design Camp



SUMMER HIRING IS HERE!

With summer just around the corner, staff is in the process of hiring pool swim instructors and lifeguards. This past week 23 candidates participated in the tryouts and interview process. Ten will be invited to participate in the Pool Swim Instructor Academy in May, which trains the candidates to become American Red Cross Certified Lifeguards and Water Safety Instructors (WSI). Swim lessons begin the week of June 25.

Quote of the Day

*You've got to be original, because if you're like someone else,
what do they need you for?*

Bernadette Peters

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Responsible Staff</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Location</u>
NTAC production – <i>Crown Matrimonial</i>	3/30-4/29	7:30pm	NTAC	631-0288	Newport Theatre Arts Ctr
City Track Meet	4/20	4pm	A Ernst / S Williamson	644-3151	CdM High School
NTAC production – <i>The Boy Friend</i>	6/1-7/1	7:30pm	NTAC	631-0288	Newport Theatre Arts Ctr
CdM 5K	6/2	7am	J Cates	644-3154	CdM Ocean Blvd
Summer Camps Begin	6/25	7am	J Harmon/R Valdez	644-3151	All over the City



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